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BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE OFFICE OF THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of the Application regarding the Conversion and Acquisition of Control of Premera Blue Cross and its Affiliates.

No. G 02-45

INTERVENERS' FOURTH REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS AND PREMERA'S OBJECTIONS AND RESPONSES THERETO

Applicant, Premera and Premera Blue Cross and its Affiliates;

14 AND TO:

TO:

Robert Mitchell and Thomas Kelly, their attorneys

PURSUANT TO RCW 48.31C.030(4); 48.31B.015(4)(b); 34,05.446; CR 26 and 34, you are required to answer, in writing, the following requests for production of documents. Unless otherwise agreed, documents produced are to be delivered to Richard Spoonemore, Sirianni, Youtz, Meier and Spoonemore at 1100 Millennium Tower, 719 Second Avenue, Seattle, WA 98104.

These requests for production are continuing in nature and at such time as further information is discovered which makes any prior answer incomplete, inaccurate, or misleading, the answer should be supplemented promptly at the time of discovery of additional information. These requests incorporate by reference the definitions set forth in the first request for production of documents.

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OBJECTION

Premera objects to these instructions to the extent that they improperly imply an obligation to produce documents at the offices of Intervenors' counsel and the instruction to supplement as beyond the obligations imposed by Civil Rule 26. These responses incorporate by reference the general objections set forth in Premera's Responses to the Intervenors' First Request for Production of Documents.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 31:

For each person Premera expects to call to testify as a consultant or as an expert witness, for whom Premera will be submitting pre-filed testimony, or whose opinions Premera otherwise intends to present or rely upon for the Conversion Hearing or the Conversion Forums or for Premera's position regarding the Conversation Application (hereinafter, an "Expert" or "Your Expert(s)"), please produce: (a) a current resume or curriculum vitae; (b) a copy of all engagement letters or memoranda regarding the Expert's engagement; (c) a statement of the compensation paid and to be paid to the expert or his company; (d) all publications authored by the Expert from January 1, 1990, to the date of response to this Request (hereinafter, "to present"); (e) a list of all matters in which the Expert has, during the time period from January 1, 1999, to present, either prepared an expert report or testified as an expert (i.e., testified by way of declaration, pre-filed testimony, deposition or live testimony, at any hearing, trial or other proceeding); (f) a copy of all reports, pre-filed testimony, and declarations of the Expert from January 1, 1999, to present; and (g) a copy of the transcripts of all depositions and testimony of the Expert from January 1, 1999, to present.

RESPONSE:

Without suggesting that any prior objection is valid or proper, Premera incorporates by reference every objection made by any Intervenor Group to the document request contained in

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Premera's Amended First Set of Document Requests that corresponds with this request for production. By way of further response, Premera notes that, since these discovery requests were propounded, this request and related discovery matters have become a topic of negotiation among Premera, the OIC Staff, and the Intervenors and the subject of a ruling by the Special Master, and may be subject to further rulings by the Special Master. Premera will produce responsive documents under the terms of a mutual agreement, if any, by the parties regarding scope or other limitations and the Special Master's ruling(s).

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 32:

Please produce: (a) the resumes of each person whom Premera expects to call as a non-expert witness at the Conversion Hearing (hereinafter, a "Non-expert Witness"); (b) all notes, drafts or other documents prepared by each such Non-expert Witness constituting, regarding or related to Premera's position or his/her position regarding the Conversion Application; and (c) each document that each such Non-expert Witness is expected to discuss in his/her testimony at the Conversion Hearing.

RESPONSE:

Without suggesting that any prior objection is valid or proper, Premera incorporates by reference every objection made by any Intervenor Group to the document request contained in Premera's Amended First Set of Document Requests that corresponds with this request for production. By way of further response, Premera notes that, since these discovery requests were propounded, this request and related discovery matters have become a topic of negotiation among Premera, the OIC Staff, and the Intervenors and the subject of a ruling by the Special Master, and may be subject to further rulings by the Special Master. Premera will produce responsive documents under the terms of a mutual agreement, if any, by the parties regarding scope or other limitations and the Special Master's ruling(s).

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REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 33: Please produce: (a) all drafts of all reports, surveys, memos or other papers prepared by, or under the supervision of, each of Premera's Expert(s) for the Conversion Hearing or the Conversion Hearing Forums or for Premera's position regarding the Conversion Application; (b) all correspondence, e-mails, documents or other communication to and from Premera (including, without limitation, to its agents or attorneys) and each such Expert regarding the Conversion Application or the Conversion Hearing or the Conversion Forums or the drafting or preparation of any such reports, surveys, memos or other papers; and (c) any other documents regarding or related to the Conversion Application or the Conversion Hearing or the Conversion Forums.

RESPONSE:

Without suggesting that any prior objection is valid or proper, Premera incorporates by reference every objection made by any Intervenor Group to the document request contained in Premera's Amended First Set of Document Requests that corresponds with this request for production. By way of further response, Premera notes that, since these discovery requests were propounded, this request and related discovery matters have become a topic of negotiation among Premera, the OIC Staff, and the Intervenors and the subject of a ruling by the Special Master, and may be subject to further rulings by the Special Master. Premera will produce responsive documents under the terms of a mutual agreement, if any, by the parties regarding scope or other limitations and the Special Master's ruling(s).

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10		Employees International Union Washington State Council, The Children's
11		Alliance, Washington Academy of Family
12		Physicians, Washington Association of Churches and Washington State NOW
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4	I, am counsel for herein and state that		
5	the foregoing answers and response are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.		
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10	NOTARY PUBLIC in and for the State of		
11	Washington, residing at My commission expires:		
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14	ATTORNEY CERTIFICATION		
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16	Requests for Production, certifies that they are in compliance with CR 26(g).		
17	DATED this 14th day of November, 2003.		
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